

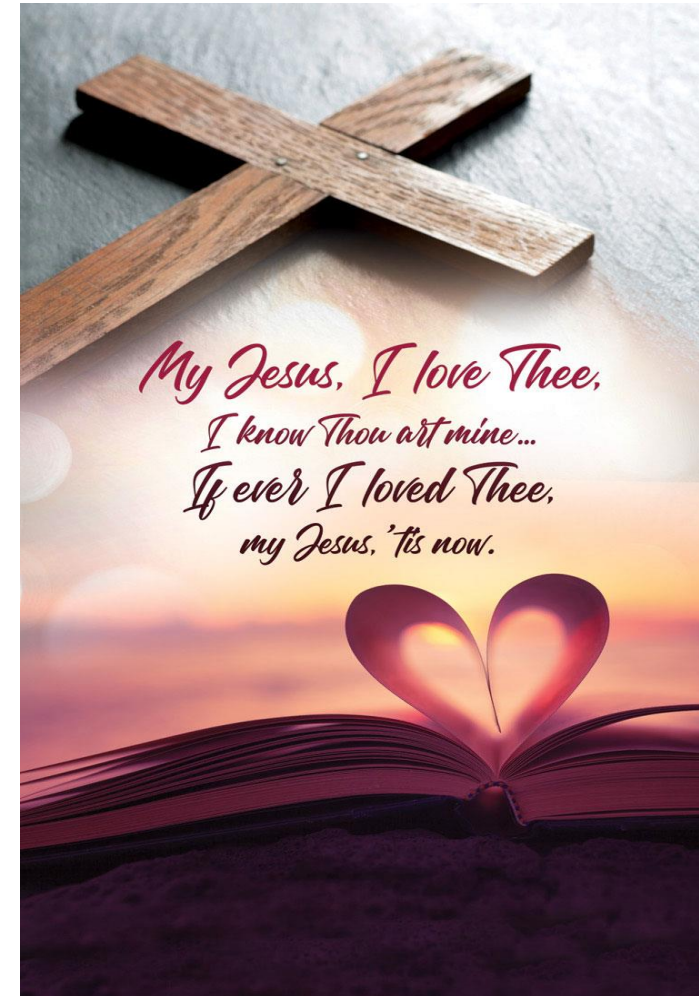
MORNING SCHEDULE
Sunday School – 9:30 am Worship – 10:30 am

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Worship Attendance last Sunday February 13 worship: 52
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*My Jesus, I love Thee,
I know Thou art mine...
If ever I loved Thee,
my Jesus, 'tis now.*

FEBRUARY 20, 2022

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

“Ligonier (First) Church of the Brethren Is a community of believers who seek to walk passionately with Christ by reaching out in His name, preaching and sharing His gospel, and teaching all to live like Him.”

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP *Responsive Reading*

Leader: Rejoice, people of God: this is our Sabbath day.
People: Rejoice, friends in Christ: this is our time for worship.
 Leader: God ordained the Sabbath, rest and restoration.
People: God is worthy of worship, our Creator, Healer, and Inspiration.
 Leader: So then, let us worship God. Amen.

*HYMN **“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”** No. 108

INVOCATION PRAYER: *Unison Prayer*

We come to worship you, God, and we long for comfort. In your arms, this morning, can our distress subside? In the name of Jesus, you hold us as your children and you promise us life, life eternal, life with you. May these promises guide our thoughts and our prayers this morning. Amen

OFFERTORY PRAYER: *(Please sign the attendance sheets)*

Lord, we thank for Your faithfulness. Thank you that we can always trust in You. You are an abundant God and out of Your great mercy you have given us so much. We give you this offering today. With it we worship You and give our whole selves to You. Please now take it and use it for Your kingdom and Your glory. Amen.

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Stacey Knupp

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER HYMN **“Glorify Thy Name”** No. 29

MORNING PRAYER

SCRIPTURE **Mark 5:1-20**

MESSAGE

“Please, Tell Someone!”

*CLOSING HYMN **“We've a Story to Tell to the Nations”** No. 296

*BENEDICTION

Pastor: Pastor John Shaffer
 Lay Leader: Debra McInchok
 Chorister: Ed Wedge
 Pianist: Pam Zimmerman

Greeters for February: Dana Shannon
 Counting Steward for February: Dana Shannon

NOTE FROM WOMEN’S FELLOWSHIP

We will be having our first meeting in March; date still has not been decided. We are trying something new. We will be having our meetings on Sundays following church. We will be providing a light lunch and are hoping more women will attend. We want to have a brief business meeting and hopefully focus on more fellowship time. All women are welcome to attend.

JOYS FROM WEEK OF FEBRUARY 6, 2022

- Pastor John had a fall on Thursday, put a knot on his head and is ok
- JoAnne McWherter recovered from her setback and is back in rehab
- A big thank you to all the Youth leaders who planned the combined Sunday School bash this morning that brought 15 children and 14 adults to share the Sunday School hour – a great time was had by all

OUTREACH FOR FEBRUARY

The outreach for February is Heifer Project. It began as a Church of the Brethren program and later became an international program supported by people everywhere. Instead of just providing food for a day, it provides for a lifetime of help, that is also to be passed on to another. Please also remember your gently used shoes, wrapped with a rubber band as this project helps fund the Honduras orphanage we support. Donations for the local Food Pantry are a year-long outreach of our church. This service is provided

monthly at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Ligonier and is supported by the Association of Churches. At present approximately 100 families are being served. Please be generous with your donations as the Westmoreland County Food Bank has lessened the amount they are providing.

RITA'S CLOSET

Rita's Closet opens Mondays at the First Church of the Brethren, 10:00 am to 6:00 pm. If you are unable to make it on a Monday, please call Darlene Rummel at 814-243-7156 to schedule a time more convenient. All donated clothes were freely given and are free to you. Please come and check us out.

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Today, 9:30 am, Church Social Hall – A combined Sunday School Class for all ages to celebrate Valentine's Day – everyone is invited to attend and participate – refreshments provided

Wednesday, 6:30 pm – Bible Study – the book of Acts is subject of our study – refreshments are available

Thursday, 9:00 am -- The Happy Stitchers

Thursday, 9:00 am to Noon – Pastor John's Office Hours

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, April 9, 2022 – Women's Fellowship making ham loaves

Saturday, April 9, 2022, Camp Harmony – Hogar Enmanuel's Dinner/Theater featuring the play "FLOODED! The First Lockdown"

Saturday, June 11, 2022 – Memorial Service for Charles and Fay Harr

Saturday, October 15, 2022, Camp Harmony – 2022 Western PA District Conference

*****CHURCH FAMILY*****

We all know that when someone has cancer it not only affects that person, it puts stress on the whole family. Well three families are going through the stress of chemotherapy treatments and we can help with some of that stress. I would like to start a Meal Train in our Church for them. How can I help you ask – Below is a list of the things that you can do.

- 1. Pick up a Gift Card for a local Restaurant, Giant Eagle, Sheetz, etc. so they will be able to pick up a meal on the way home from treatments, get gas, get snacks for treatments, etc.**
- 2. If you like to cook, a homemade meal would be great: soups and comfort food. Please contact me and we will set up a date and time for the meal. If you cannot deliver the meal, I will pick up the meal and drop it off**

**I have been in contact with each family and have gotten a treatment schedule. If you would like to help, please contact me. Please call me with any questions at 724-331-2228. I look forward to hearing from you.
s/Stacey Knupp**

Gratitude is not only the greatest of virtues, but the parent of all the others.

— Cicero

Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow.

— Melody Beattie, author

Let gratitude be the pillow upon which you kneel to say your nightly prayer.

— Maya Angelou

KINGDOM CONCERNS

Jesus Prayer Requests

The Glory of God (John 17);

Workers for the Harvest (Matthew 9)

Spiritual Renewal in our Congregation

ALSO: Persecuted Christians; Missions; Peace Workers; Service Persons;

National/International Leaders

Missionaries to Poland: Ashley and Corby White (23rd of each month, please uphold in special prayer as they will also be praying for us on this date)

WESTERN PA DISTRICT

District Office Staff – Amy Bowman, Tina Lehman

District Office Phone Number – 814-479-2181

District Moderator – Robert Rummel

District Response Team – Herb Ewald

District Leadership Team Chair – Pete Kaltenbaugh

Camp Harmony Executive Director – Jen Vickroy

2022 Prayer Partner Congregation: Arbutus Church of the Brethren, Guy Myers, Minister

COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

Unchurched in Waterford, Ligonier Valley (Welcome and Invite them!)

Valley Youth Network – Kip Crumrine, Director; Sandy Crumrine, Assistant;

Chelsea Carpenter and Kylie Weber, Interns

Ligonier Valley Association of Churches – Janet Riordan, President

ALL OF OUR WORSHIP MINISTRY EXPERIENCES

Future of our church – Please take five minutes at noon every day to pray for ways to encourage the parents, children and young people who could be coming**

LOCAL CHURCH CONCERNS

Deacon Chairperson – Stacey Knupp

Church Board/Executive Board Chairmen – Richard Jones,

Nurture -- Michelle Black, Stewardship – Becky Kwak, Witness -- Debbie McInchok